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INSTITUTIONAL, ORGANIZATIONAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AND RELATED MATTERS (agenda item 7) (continued)

(d) [illegible]

1. The PRESIDENT invited the Board to consider the applications of seven inter-governmental organizations for designation under rule 77 of the rules of procedure (TD/B/R.1 and Add.1-7). In the absence of any objection, he would consider that the Board approved the applications of these organizations, which would be authorized to participate in its discussions and in those of its subsidiary bodies.

It was so decided.

(e) [illegible]

3. The PRESIDENT said that seven non-governmental organizations had applied for designation and classification for the purposes of rule 77 of the Board's rules of procedure. In accordance with established practice, the Secretary-General of UNCTAD had consulted the Bureau of the Board, which had endorsed the relevant recommendations in the note by the UNCTAD secretariat (TD/B/C.4, annex, section B), on the understanding that the secretariat would indicate as explicitly as possible the geographical composition of the International Association of Ports and Harbors (TD/B/AC.4/L.1, annex, para.1).

4. The Board should also review the list of non-governmental organizations in the Special Category to identify those which a special interest in the work of the Committee on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries. The Secretary-General of UNCTAD had consulted the Bureau of the Board, which had recommended, first, that 71 non-governmental organizations (TD/B/C.4, annex, section C) already classified in the Special Category as having a special interest in our main committees of the Board should also be classified as having an interest in the work of the Committee on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries; he suggested that three organizations (ibid., section B), already following the work of two main Committees and having an interest in the work of the Committee on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries should be transferred from the Special Category to the General Category. In the absence of any objection, he would consider that the Council endorsed the recommendations in the Note by the secretariat (TD/B/C.4).

5. It was so decided.

(b) [illegible]

6. The PRESIDENT drew attention to the membership of the main Committees indicated in the Board's report on the second part of its thirteenth session (TD/B/C.4, annex VI) and read out the list of applications for membership received subsequently for each Committee.